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Dear Dr.

I am writing you and Tom both on this matter, as I feel you both should probably rule on it. It is about a player who is now with The Yankees, and is to be returned to the west. His name is Bradford.

Last Sunday here in Newark he beat up an umpire so badly he had to have two stitches taken in his face. The umpire involved is Henry Moore of Patterson. Gottlieb said Moore should have had him arrested, but I think baseball should settle its own problems. After Moore had been knocked to the ground, Bradford jumped on him, and continued to hit him until he was pulled off by some of the other players. It was the most disgraceful exhibition I have ever witnessed at a ballgame. It could have easily caused a riot.

I took the \$25.00 out of The Yankees money, but this is not sufficient punishment for a thing of this kind. The white newspapers called me up and asked me what would be done about it, and I told them I was writing the Presidents of both leagues to ask them to rule on it.

Please get in touch with Tom, and make some decision about it. We cant let the ballplayers think they can get away with anything like that, and it isnt fair to the umpires. We wont be able to get anyone to work.

Please let me hear from you as soon as possible.

Very Truly Yours